



## MARKET OPENS HERE MONDAY

Three Loose Leaf Tobacco Warehouses in this City are Ready for the Sales.

We have been advised by the managers of the three loose leaf tobacco warehouses in this city that they have engaged their sales force and handlers and that everything is in readiness for the first sale of the year in this city, which will be held Monday, December 6th.

All three houses are now receiving tobacco and the farmers are advised that they can bring in their crops any time.

Notwithstanding the report that has been circulated that the selling fees would be increased this year, those in charge advise us that the selling fees in this city will be just the same as charged last year.

Again we urge those with tobacco to sell to bring it to Mt. Sterling, as we are confident you will get as much, if not more than you can get for it elsewhere.

### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Prewitt Van Meter, of Clark county, announce the engagement of their daughter, Martha Chandler, to Mr. William Savage Duty. The wedding will take place in January. Mr. Duty is proprietor of the Duty drug store, in Winchester, and both he and his charming future bride are prominent in social circles. The announcement comes as pleasing news, although not altogether a surprise to their many friends.

Mr. Duty formerly lived in this city, where he has a large number of relatives and friends who will be interested in the above announcement.

### Will Sing at Paramount

Mr. Fred Strother will sing at The Paramount Theatre Thursday night. Mr. Strother has a splendid voice and this added attraction is sure to be appreciated.

## SIX MONTHS OF LOCAL OPTION

Facts and Figures As To The Moral and Business Effect of Same in this City.

By popular vote, eleven saloons were closed in Mt. Sterling on May 25, 1915. It will therefore be seen that six months have intervened and the question is often asked us, what effect has local option had on our community from a moral as well as a business standpoint? Has local option been a success, as its advocates claimed for it, or has it paralyzed business, increased drunkenness and all forms of crime and proven to be non-enforceable, as its opponents confidently asserted it would?

With a view of dealing only in facts, which are said to be stubborn things, we have interviewed many citizens, irrespective of how they stood upon the question, including merchants, mechanics, farmers and professional men, as well as obtained an itemized statement of convictions from our criminal court dockets and from this investigation, as well as from close personal observation, we shall endeavor to frankly and fairly give our readers our conclusions.

### From a Moral Standpoint.

Does local option improve conditions morally, or are drunkenness and all kinds of crime increased?

Practically all cases of drunkenness and offenses growing out of it, are tried in the Mt. Sterling Police Court. From May 25, 1915 to November 25, 1915 (six months) there were fifty-five convictions for drunkenness and eleven convictions for disorderly conduct. During the same period of 1914 there were one hundred and thirteen convictions for drunkenness and twenty-three convictions for disorderly conduct, showing a decrease of more than one hundred per cent. under local option. The county and circuit court dockets show approximately the same de-

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crease in crime. Farmers are agreed that the tenants and laboring class generally are more attentive to business and their families better provided for than ever before. So much for its moral effect.

### From a Business Standpoint.

What has been its effect on business? Naturally the closing of eleven places of business had a depressing effect temporarily, yet in six months we find other lines of business in their places, so that today we have no more vacant buildings than we had before local option became a reality. Now this statement, at first blush, may appear inaccurate, since several former saloon buildings remain vacant. These are offset, however, by rooms then vacant, which have since become occupied.

An ex-saloonist is authority for the statement that the average receipts of each saloon was \$1,250.00 a month—some of them much more and a few of them less—or \$165,000.000 annually for the eleven, which, in the main, came from that class of citizens who could ill-afford to thus spend their earnings. This enormous sum, which heretofore constituted an economic waste, would have been sufficient to wipe out, in one year, the entire floating and bonded indebtedness of both the city and county; would have purchased the ground, built and equipped two warehouses like that of the Farmers' Tobacco Warehouse Company; would have purchased the ground and built two buildings like our handsome government building; would have purchased the ground, built and equipped an adequate consolidated school in every Magisterial district of the county, would have reconstructed every mile of macadam road in the county, and in fact, amounts to more than the entire sum taken in in taxes for city, county, state and school purposes.

It is our belief that not less than ninety per cent. of this sum now goes into the several avenues of legitimate trade, while the remainder goes to the mail order

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## TUBERCULOSIS SUNDAY

Services Will Be Held Sunday Evening at Seven O'clock at Christian Church.

In accordance with the proclamation issued by Governor James B. McCreary, Tuberculosis Sunday will be observed in Mt. Sterling on December 5th. (next Sunday).

The congregations of all the churches in the city will unite in a service to be held at the Christian church at seven o'clock p. m., at which time Dr. W. R. Thompson, of the Board of Health, will discuss the "Great White Plague," its frequency, its evils, the preventives which may be of use and in a general way, explain how the "layman" may assist in stamping out this PREVENTABLE disease which is costing Kentucky thousands of lives per annum. Every man, woman and child should hear this discussion and assist in whatever way possible in this undertaking.

### FORM PARTNERSHIP

Messrs. V. M. Hainline and J. C. Peters have formed a partnership and combined their interests in the dry cleaning business. By this partnership possibly the largest dry cleaning establishment in this section has been made. Both are popular gentlemen and will no doubt command a goodly share of the business here. The equipment owned by Mr. Hainline has been moved to the Fizer building where Mr. Peters has been located for some time.

Dressed chickens and turkeys at Greenwade's

### "WHEN DREAMS COME TRUE"

There are seventeen dancing numbers in "When Dreams Come True," most of them invented and staged by Wm. Pruett, Jr., the leading player of the company. Mr. Pruett also dances in nearly all the dance numbers. At the Tabb Theatre, Monday, December 6th.

## ASLEEP IN JESUS

Mrs. Mary Stephens, One of Mt. Sterling's Oldest and Most Beloved Women Dies.

A few minutes after our paper had gone to press last week we were advised of the death of Mrs. Mary Stephens, one of our oldest and most beloved women.

Mrs. Stephens had been an invalid for many years but only the week preceding her death was her condition serious.

She was twice married, her first husband, Chas. G. Thompson, dying during the Civil War, and her second husband, William Stephens, died about twenty years ago. Her first union was blessed with six children, only two of whom survive, Mr. C. G. Thompson and Mrs. Geo. E. Coleman, of this city, while four step-children, Mrs. Pattie Thompson and Mrs. Anna Lee Montjoy, of this city, Mrs. Owings Lane, of the county, and Mr. William Stephens, of California, also survive. One brother, Mr. Albert Orear, and one sister, Mrs. Bettie Wyatt, both of this county, are left, together with many grand-children and great-grand-children to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Stephens was an every day Christian. The beautifying influences of a pure religion were spread over a life and character as spotless and charming as was ever possessed by any of the noble woman who have lived and died during the ages that are gone. As such a life was a blessing and benediction to all within the sphere of its influence so is the death of such a one a public misfortune, as well as an irreparable loss to the home circle made desolate by her departure. It is difficult to pay a fitting tribute to the memory of so noble a woman—one whose every day life was embellished by the charming and lovable attributes of her sex. A perfect lady at all times—under all circumstances,

she seemed born to inspire the love and respect of all who were so unfortunate as to be acquainted with her. No one was more willing to aid the suffering, cheer the desponding, sustain the weak and to throw over the frailties of our race the mantle of Christian charity, and when sickness and death came to her, as it comes to all, neighbors and friends vied with each other in acts of loving kindness and tender solicitude, and many were the willing hands and hearts ready to assist him upon whom rested the heavy responsibility of attempting to fight back the ravages of disease—to avert the inevitable—and in whom were united the devotion of a friend, the untiring skill and watchful care of the conscientious, painstaking physician, but love and skill were equally of no avail. The great destroyer had placed his signet on her brow and now, hundreds who loved her living, mourn her dead.

Funeral services were held at her late residence Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Southgate of the Methodist church, to which church she had belonged since a little child. Burial in Macphelah cemetery. The Advocate joins countless friends in tendering sympathy.

### WILL REJECTED

In the County Court last week, the will of Miss Sallie W. Greene was successfully assailed by her heirs-at-law and probate of it was refused by Judge Chenault on the ground that she lacked testamentary capacity at the time of its execution. An appeal to the Circuit Court will be prosecuted by the propounders of the will.

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### PASSES STATE EXAMINATION

Miss Lucy Randal, of this city, was in Louisville last week and took the state examination required of trained nurses and passed same with a creditable mark.

The Advocate for printing.

## WINTER REQUISITES

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Thursday, December 2nd  
Our Usual  
SERIAL PROGRAM

Today, Wednesday, December 1st, Robert Edeson in

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Friday, December 3rd  
Our Usual  
SERIAL PROGRAM

TWO BIG SHOWS

Neil O'Brien and his Minstrels of 46 People, Saturday, Dec. 4. - 50 People in "When Dreams Come True," A Delightful Musical Comedy Monday, Dec. 6

AT THE TABB THEATRE